

Fannie Mae Lewis Law Chapter 188 Significant Efforts Test

- All Fannie Mae Lewis projects that do not meet Low Income Hour requirements are subject to a five-part Significant Efforts test.
- If the contractor passes this test, they are deemed to have made a Significant Effort in obtaining Low Income Hours. The test points are as follows:
 - 1. Were any actions taken by the company to attempt compliance? Was Employment Connections contacted? Apprenticeship programs?
 - 2. Was contact made with OEO to discuss possible shortfalls **before** or **during** the project & *not* after completion? Did the contractor follow the advice and direction of the OEO monitor?
 - 3. Were there any special circumstances surrounding the project? (i.e. Mayor's Emergency)
 - 4. Was the Resident Hour requirement attained?
 - 5. Is the company routinely non-compliant with Fannie Lewis requirements (including low income, resident, and/or reporting?